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1. Under date of 15 December 1958, the East German State Planning Commission (Department Supply of the Population) and the Ministry for Trade and Supply addressed a circular to the Economic Councils and the Trade and Supply Departments attached to the Bezirk Councils, concerning the proposals for the Third Five-Year Plan. It gave procedural instructions for the drawing-up of the plan, and requested comments from each Bezirk on the quantities of various consumers' goods that will be needed for the years 1960-1962. These comments, it was stated, will be of the greatest value in the centralized work on the project for the Five-Year Plan. Tentative figures are proposed, and the Bezirk Councils are asked to make any necessary suggestions for alterations in the figures.
2. The plan is summed up in the following table, showing the planned "development" of the stock of goods available (Warenfond) year by year from 1960 to 1965. In each case the quantities calculated for 1959 are taken as 100.

	<u>1960</u>	<u>1961</u>	<u>1962</u>	<u>1963</u>	<u>1964</u>	<u>1965</u>
Total, consumers' goods	108.5	119.0	125.0	133.5	140.5	148.0
Food and stimulants	108.5	116.0	121.0	127.0	131.0	135.0
Foodstuffs	109.0	117.0	124.0	129.5	134.0	140.0
Stimulants	107.5	113.0	116.0	123.0	125.5	127.0
Manufactured goods	109.0	119.0	130.0	141.0	151.0	163.0
Shoes	106.0	110.0	116.5	122.0	127.0	131.0
Textiles and clothing	112.5	122.0	134.0	146.0	151.0	170.0
Other manufactured goods	107.0	119.0	129.0	140.0	150.0	164.0

3. The quantities of a number of specific items available are to be as follows (1959 taken as equal to 100):

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	1960	1961	1962	1963	1964	1965
Potatoes	100	100	100	100	100	100
Edible legumes	104.5	109	113.6	118.1	122.7	127.2
Fresh vegetables	100	101.7	103.3	105	106.7	108.3
Fresh fruit incl. grapes	115	132.5	147.5	165	182.5	202.5
Southern fruits and nuts (incl. dried fruits)	120.1	164.6	206.8	238	300	302.5
Starch and starch products (incl. pudding powder)	100	100	100	100	100	100
White sugar	104.5	104.5	104.5	104.5	104.5	104.5
Cocoa products	113	154.1	181.5	195.2	208.9	231.8
Cocoa powder	116.7	130	130	133	133	133
Meat, meat and sausage pro- ducts (based on meat equivalent)	102.2	104.5	106.7	109	111.2	113.4
Fish and fish products (based on fish equivalent)	100	100.8	101.6	102.4	103.2	104
Whole milk and cream	128.1	138.5	159.3	163.5	165.6	168.2
Skimmed milk and buttermilk and derived cheese products	92.7	79.5	79.5	79.5	79.5	79.5
Fat cheese	110	120	124	128	128	130
Butter	105.4	108.4	111.4	112.6	114.5	120.5
Animal-fat products	95.6	93	93	91.7	90.4	90.4
Plant oils and fats	105	107.5	107.5	110	110	110
Margarine	100	100	100.3	100.9	101.5	102
Eggs	107	114.1	121.1	126.8	133.1	140.8
Cigars and cigarettes	106.7	110	113.3	113.3	113.3	113.3
Wine and champagne	107.5	115	125	135	145	150
Roasted coffee	162.3	187	192.5	225	225.8	226.6
Leather shoes	111	118	123	130	136	142
Woolen fabrics	118	130	142	152	165	180
Cotton and similar fabrics	108	116	121	129	147	161
Silk, rayon, and nylon fabrics	114	125	135	146	154	162
(incl. nylon fabrics)	130	213	296	390	446	544
Ladies' nylon stockings	103	112	138	178	223	263
Knitwear, outer	101	107	113	116	122	128
(incl. woolen knitwear)	128	153	175	191	206	223
Knitted underwear	101	105	110	113	118	122
Rugs and carpets	106	153	170	206	243	281
Curtains and raperies	110	127	133	140	142	146
Upholstery materials	118	131	141	152	163	174
Chinaware	103	107	111	115	123	131
Furniture	108	117	121	125	129	133
Table silver	105	114	120	123	129	135
Sewing-machines	103	105	107	107	107	107
Refrigerators <sup>1</sup>	112	141	170	233	277	326
Passenger automobiles	121	139	170	193	219	258
Motorcycles and scooters	100	102	103	105	106	110
Motor bicycles	102	105	107	110	113	115
Bicycles	100	100	94	88	88	88
Audio equipment	99	98	98	98	97	97
Television sets <sup>1</sup>	105	139	162	178	198	229

4. It is pointed out that the number of persons employed in wholesale and retail sales will have to be reduced because the working population will by 1965 be reduced in numbers to 95% of the figure for 1960 and about 92-93% of the figure for 1958. Many persons now in sales jobs or administrative work must transfer to production work and be replaced by housewives not now employed.

1. Comment: [redacted] in Leipzig, according to the Five-Year Plan, by 1965 about 50% of the families shall have a television set and 16% of all families shall own an electric refrigerator.

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